

REMARKS

Upon entry of the above amendment, Claims 1-4, 7, 8 and 10 are pending in this application. No new matter is introduced by the above amendments; support may be found throughout the specification as originally filed and particularly in the as filed claims.

The parent application to the currently presented claims, co-pending application Serial No. 09/920,904, was subject to a restriction requirement. Thus, the instant application, including the amended claims, is a divisional case based on Serial No. 09/920,904, which has been allowed. A copy of the subject restriction requirement may be found in Serial No. 09/920,904.

In addition, a petition to correct Inventorship under 37 CFR §1.48(a) was filed, and granted, in the parent application. The Oath and Declaration submitted herewith was submitted in the parent application as part of the petition to correct the inventorship. Removed as inventors in that petition were Drs. DeWit and Johnson.

Applicants respectfully submit that the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and that a Notice of Allowance should be promptly issued.

Respectfully submitted,


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